

CHAPTER 247.

THE TOWN OF GRAVITY.

S. F. 271.

AN ACT to legalize the publication of notice and vote, for the incorporation of the town of Gravity, Iowa,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the publication of the notice, and vote for the incorporation of the town of Gravity, Iowa, therefore;

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Valid and binding.** That the publication of notice and proof thereof and the vote incorporating the town of Gravity, Iowa, are hereby legalized and the same declared to be valid, binding and in full force, the same as though the law had been complied with in all respects for the incorporation of said town of Gravity, Iowa.

SEC. 2. **In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital and the Des Moines Register newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, without expense to the state of Iowa.

Approved April 10, 1902.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa State Register, April 11, 1902, and in the Des Moines Daily Capital, April 12, 1902.

W. B. MARTIN,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 248.

OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF DENVER AND THE ACTS OF F. C. RICHMANN, TOWN CLERK.

H. F. 449.

AN ACT to legalize the official acts of the town council of the incorporated town of Denver, in Bremer county, Iowa, and the acts of F. C. Richmann acting as clerk of said town.

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the official acts and ordinances passed and adopted by the town council of the incorporated town of Denver, in Bremer county, Iowa, by reason of the failure of the recorder of said town to properly and correctly keep the records of the proceedings of said council; said records in many instances failing to show that said ordinances were passed and adopted as required by law, and

WHEREAS, Some of the said ordinances have been passed and adopted by said council without clearly expressing in the title thereof the subjects contained therein, and whereas, by reason of other irregularities and failures to comply with the law in regard to the passage, adoption, recording and authentication of ordinances, and

WHEREAS, F. C. Richmann was elected town clerk of the incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa, in the month of March 1900 for the term of two years, and that on the 1st day of August 1901 said F. C. Richmann moved outside of the incorporate limits of said town of Denver and became a non-resident of said town, but continued to act as town clerk of said incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa, doubts have arisen as to the legality of the acts and doings of the said clerk during the period of his being a non-resident of said town. Now therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Ordinances and official acts legalized.** That all ordinances of the incorporated town of Denver, in Bremer county, Iowa, and all official

acts done under and by virtue of said ordinances by the officers of said town, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the laws had in all respects been fully and strictly complied with, in the passage, adoption, recording and authentication of said ordinances.

SEC. 2. Ordinances with defective titles. That all ordinances of the incorporated town of Denver, in Bremer county, Iowa, in which the subject of each ordinance is not clearly expressed in its title, are hereby legalized, and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the subject of each ordinance was clearly and fully expressed in its title.

SEC. 3. Acts of F. C. Richmann legalized. That all acts, ordinances, doings, and transactions, of every name, nature, kind and description, of the incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa, performed, executed and acted upon while F. C. Richmann was clerk, or acting as clerk, of the said town of Denver, while he was a non-resident of said town, and all acts, doings and transactions of the said F. C. Richmann while he was clerk, or acting, performing and doing the duty and services as a clerk of said town of Denver while he was a non-resident of said town of Denver, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the laws had been in all respects strictly complied with and the said F. C. Richmann had at all times been a resident of the incorporated town of Denver, Iowa, and legally acting and qualified as clerk of the said incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa.

SEC. 4. Pending litigation. Nothing herein contained shall affect any litigation now pending.

SEC. 5. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Waverly Republican, newspapers published at Des Moines and Waverly, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved April 11, 1902.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa State Register, April 18, 1902, and in the Waverly Republican, April 24, 1902.

W. B. MARTIN,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 249.

INSTRUMENTS IN WRITING DEFECTIVELY ACKNOWLEDGED.

S. F. 188.

AN ACT to legalize certain instruments in writing which were defectively acknowledged.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Defective acknowledgments legalized. That the acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages or other instruments in writing, taken and certified previous to the passage of this act, and which have been duly recorded in the proper counties in this state, and which are defective only in the form of the certificate of the officer taking the same, or by reason of such acknowledgment having been made before an official not qualified to take the same, but who was at the time qualified to take acknowledgments generally, be and are hereby declared to be as legal and valid for all purposes as if the form of the certificate had been made in accordance with law, and the official taking such acknowledgments duly qualified therefor.

Approved April 12, 1902.